

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1259
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SHOOTING OF FILMS ON HERITAGE SITES .
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government allow the heritage sites located across the country to be used as permanent venues for film shooting;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) The revenue earned by the Government on this count during each of the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) and (b): As per provision of the Ancient Monuments and Archeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 and Rules, 1959, permission for filming at Centrally Protected monuments or part thereof is given on a payment of Rs.5000/- per monument, per day for exterior filming only with certain terms and conditions. For filming with a cast, Rs.10,000 is charged as a refundable security deposit. In exceptional cases, where the film is for an educational or publicity of the monuments purpose, permission is given for filming the interior. Video filming from the exterior of a protected monument (except those specified in the Second Schedule) is permitted on the payment of Rs.25/- provided it is for non-commercial purpose and does not involve any cast, use of any stand or interfere with customary and religious practice and repair work.

(c): The information is being collected from the different Circle Offices in India by the Archeological Survey of India.